Remarks

Reconsideration of the present application is hereby requested.

Please cancel claims 1 to 11.

Claims 12 to 30, which are currently pending in this application, have been allowed.

The present application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and a prompt Notice of Allowance would be greatly appreciated.

It is understood that no fee applies to the present Amendment. If our understanding is incorrect, however, please charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 08-2622.

Respectfully submitted,

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